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> RE: Amendment 7 to Tahoe Metropolitan Planning Organization (TMPO) 2008/2009-2011/2012 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)

Dear Ms. Falsetti:

We have completed our review of your correspondence dated July 15, 2009, and supporting information regarding Amendment Number 7 to the Tahoe Metropolitan Planning Organization (TMPO) 2008/2009-20011/2012 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). We approve this amendment for inclusion into the California 2008/2009-200112012 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP).

This amendment adds or modifies FTA 5310 and 5311 funds for the Tahoe region.

We find this amendment in accordance with 23 CFR 450 and to be based on a continuing, comprehensive, and coordinated transportation planning process in accordance with the provisions of 23 USC 134 and 49 USC 5303. The elements of this amendment are consistent with the State Implementation Program and conform to applicable air quality regulations. In addition, the funds programmed are consistent with anticipated revenues and the amendment does not conflict with current financial planning expectations.

This letter also constitutes approval of the amendment with the understanding that FTA funding approval on individual projects is subject to the grantees meeting the necessary administrative requirements.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ted Matley at (415) 744-2590.

Sincerely,

Car Leslie T. Rogers

Regional Administrator

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